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**RICHARD WESTFIELD NAMED NLRB'S
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER**

The National Labor Relations Board announced the appointment of Richard D. Westfield as the Agency's Chief Information Officer (CIO).

As the NLRB's CIO, Mr. Westfield is the agency's senior executive in charge of the development, implementation, application, acquisition, utilization and maintenance of IT systems and programs. The CIO also is responsible for the agency's \$10 million IT budget and strategic plan. Reporting jointly to the Chairman and General Counsel, Mr. Westfield will lead a team of 70 employees and contractors. Deputy Executive Secretary David B. Parker had served as Acting CIO for the past year.

Prior to coming to the NLRB, Mr. Westfield was the Deputy Chief Information Officer and Director of Information Technology Program Management at the Overseas Private Investment Corporation from January 2002, until December 2004. He was Assistant Director of Applications Support at the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration from October 2000 until January 2002 and Chief of Information Resource Management at the New England District Army Corps of Engineers from August 1998 through October 2000. Prior to that, Mr. Westfield spent nine years working for the U.S. Army in Europe as a Systems Engineer.

In announcing the appointment, Chairman Robert J. Battista and General Counsel Arthur F. Rosenfeld stated:

Mr. Westfield brings to the NLRB over 20 years of IT experience. We are very pleased that an IT expert of his caliber will be managing an IT program here that is increasingly important to accomplishing the agency's mission.

The NLRB is an independent Federal agency created in 1935 to enforce the National Labor Relations Act. The National Labor Relations Act is a Federal law that regulates labor-management relations in the private sector. In enforcing this law, the NLRB conducts secret-ballot elections to determine whether employees desire union representation and investigates, prosecutes and remedies unfair labor practices committed by employers and unions.

A native of Buffalo, NY, Mr. Westfield holds a B.S. degree (1980) in Industrial Engineering from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a M.S. degree (1997) in Management Information Systems from Bowie State University.

Mr. Westfield resides in Dale City, VA with his wife, the former Ms. Laurie Langhans of Hamburg, NY, and their two daughters Rebecca, age 16 and Shannon, age 13.

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